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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEPR, YE  
SUBJ: YARG VIEWS ON RECENT LEBANESE DEVELOPMENTS

1. AFTER WEEK OF TRYING TO OBTAIN APPOINTMENT WITH FONMIN  
ABDALLAH AL-ASNAJ, I WAS FINALLY RECEIVED ON MORNING OF  
MARCH 25 BY HIS DEPUTY, AHMED MOHAMMAD HAYDAR. LATTER  
APOLOGIZED ON BEHALF OF FONMIN WHO, HE SAID, HAD BEEN  
VERY BUSY DURING PAST WEEK IN COORDINATING WITH OTHER ARAB  
MODERATES RE PREPARATIONS FOR AN ARAB SUMMIT. HAYDAR CONTINUED  
THAT ASNAJ PRESENTLY IN CAIRO PUSHING THE IDEA FOR AN ARAB  
SUMMIT, WHICH WOULD DISCUSS NOT ONLY CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS  
IN LEBANON BUT ALSO THE ARAB/ISRAELI QUESTION AS A WHOLE  
AS WELL AS A COMMON ARAB POSITION TO FACE THESE PROBLEMS.

2. I EMPHASIZED TO HAYDAR USG'S STRONG INTENTION TO PER-  
SEVERE IN TRYING TO FIND A COMPREHENSIVE MIDDLE EAST  
SETTLEMENT, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME STRESSING USG'S COMMITMENT  
TO AN EARLY WITHDRAWAL OF ISRAELI TROOPS FROM SOUTHERN  
LEBANON. HAYDAR REPLIED THAT YARG DEEPLY APPRECIATES  
USG'S POSITIONS ON THESE TWO ISSUES AND SAID THAT HIS  
GOVERNMENT ONLY HOPES THAT PRESIDENT CARTER WILL BE ABLE  
ON AN URGENT BASIS NOT ONLY TO BRING ABOUT AN EARLY WITH-  
DRAWAL OF ISRAELI TROOPS FROM LEBANON BUT ALSO A COMPRE-  
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HENSIVE PEACE SETTLEMENT IN THE AREA. OTHERWISE, THE  
EXTREMISTS IN THE AREA AND, THEIR RUSSIAN PATRONS WILL BENEFIT  
TO THE LOSS OF THE UNITED STATES AND ALL ARAB MODERATES.  
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